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Title: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING METAL WIRE ROD FOR USE IN

PLASTIC WORKING

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Sir:

Introductory Comments

This paper responds to the Official Action mailed July 22, 2004 and accompanies a Request for Continued Examination and a Request for Extension of Time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee associated with entry of this amendment to Deposit Account 01-1250. Accordingly, this response is timely filed on or before Monday, January 23, 2006, where January 22, 2006 is a Sunday. Please enter the following amendments:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.